

**Mayor Report – By Shawn Keough
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Hello Residents and Council,

I hope everyone is enjoying this holiday season. All the lights, decorations, and opportunities to get together with friends and family certainly makes this a fun time of year.

Here is my report of recent activities since my last report and my calendar of planned activities looking ahead:

Recent Activities

December 15, 2022 - Dexter Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting – I was unable to attend this meeting, however, the DDA set up a small committee to help our staff review the Strategic Plan Update proposals. As I understand it, we received 7 proposals.

December 15, 2022 - Dexter Area Fire Authority (DAFD) Board meeting – I am happy to announce that the DAFD Board approved a contract with Douglas Armstrong as our next Fire Chief. The DAFD Board also approved a Spending Plan/Budget of approximately \$3,000,000 which includes the intent to hire additional full time fire fighters. The City's percentage of this budget will be finalized when the December run numbers are accounted for, but I am anticipating that our portion of this cost for 2023 will be between \$925,000 and \$950,000. (Up from about \$785,000).

December 16, 2022 - Union Contract meeting with City Bargaining employee representatives

December 20, 2022 - DAFD Union Negotiation meeting with Firefighters from Local 4090

Upcoming Meetings/Activities

December 27, 2022 - City Council Meeting at 3515 Broad Street – we have a shorter agenda due to this meeting falling between the various holidays. The consent agenda will include several re-appointments/appointments to various committees and boards.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season and a Happy New Year! Please stay safe and enjoy time with your family in Dexter! I look forward to seeing you around our town 😊

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